

## HOMEMADE TRAILERS

A trailer is a vehicle designed for carrying persons and/or property on its own structure and drawn by a motor vehicle. It is constructed so that no part of its weight rests upon any other vehicle.

Requirements for homemade trailers are as follows:

- A notarized affidavit stating how trailer was constructed and type of materials used;
- Obtain a temporary permit from the Motor Vehicle Division each time trailer is to be towed on Guam's highways;
- Have trailer weighed at either Hawaiian Rock or Pacific Tyre;
- Have trailer inspected at any inspection station (must pass inspection);
- Bring paperwork (Affidavit, inspection report and trailer weight) to the Office of Motor Carrier located at the rear of the Motor Vehicle Division for issuance of serial number; and,
- Proceed to the Motor Vehicle Division, Registration Branch for the trailer to be registered.
- If the trailer is constructed using salvaged parts from a motor vehicle, you must contact the Motor Vehicle Division/Registration Branch at 475-1886 for additional information.

Every motor vehicle on the public highways and every trailer being drawn at the end of a combination of vehicle shall carry, at the rear, a lamp that is approved by the Department of Transportation which emits a red light plainly visible under normal atmospheric conditions for a distance of 500 feet from the rear of such vehicle. The rear lamp or a separate lamp shall be constructed and placed such that the number plate carried on the rear of the vehicle shall, under normal atmospheric conditions, be illuminated by a white light that is clearly visible for a distance of 50 feet from the rear of the vehicle.

All in all, the required lighting equipment includes: two (2) tail lamps, two (2) stop lamps, turn indicators and a license plate lamp.

Trailers are not required to have brakes because the vehicle towing it will do the braking; however, brakes are mandatory when the trailer being towed has a gross weight of over 3,000 pounds. Only then is a trailer required to have brakes on all wheels.